AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

- 1. (currently amended) An artificial nail cover for a clip which comprises:
- a cover body extending to an end of the nail cover with a curved surface like a human nail: and
- a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and running sideways along the cover body;

wherein a fitting ditch is formed on the thin plate wall between the wall and the inner surface of the cover body; and wherein said fitting ditch of said cover is inserted into said clip, thereby attaching the cover to the clip.

- 2. (currently amended) An artificial nail cover for a clip which comprises:
 - a cover body with a surface curved like a human nail;
 the cover body having in a rear portion a pair of side walls
 directed downward and facing each other;
- a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and directed toward each side wall; and

wherein a fitting ditch is formed on the thin plate wall

between the thin plate wall and an inner surface of the cover body; and

wherein said fitting ditch of said cover is inserted into said clip, thereby attaching the cover to the clip.

- 3. (currently amended) An artificial nail cover for clip according to claim 1 wherein [[a]] said fitting ditch is formed in [[a]] said curve along an inner surface of a cover body.
- 4. (currently amended) An artificial nail cover for a clip according to claim 2 wherein [[a]] said fitting ditch is formed in [[a]] said curve along an inner surface of a cover body.
- 5. (currently amended) A plastic clip composed of a first clipping member having a curved outer surface, wherein a combining window is formed in its rear portion and on both sides of the combining window a pair of side walls is prepared and an support axis is established on inner surfaces of the side walls and a second clipping member has a recessed auxiliary plate in its rear portion, wherein an said auxiliary plate is inserted into the combining window of the first clipping member, and an operation member which is rotated centering on the support axis to press said auxiliary plate into the combining window, wherein the operation member controls opening and closing for both ends of the first clipping member and the second clipping member, and

by the rotating movement of the operation member both ends are adapted to close together, and an artificial nail cover is attached on the outer surface of the first clipping member, and said nail cover comprising:

a cover body extending toward an end of the nail cover with a surface curved like a human nail;

a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and running sideways along the body cover;

a fitting ditch formed on the thin plate wall between the wall and the inner surface of the cover body;

the thin plate inserted into the combining window of the first clipping member so that the fitting ditch is to be inserted into an end side of the combining window; and

wherein the cover body is to be attached on the outer side of the first clipping member.

6. (currently amended) A clip set combining an artificial nail cover with a plastic clip, the set comprising:

artificial nail cover having a cover body extending to an end of the nail cover with a surface curved like a human nail, and having a pair of side walls formed in a rear portion of the cover body, the side walls facing each other, and having a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and running sideways along the cover body, and having a fitting ditch formed on the thin plate wall between the wall and the inner

surface of the cover body;

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a plastic clip having a first clipping member with a surface curved like the human nail where a combining window is formed in a rear portion of the first clipping member and a pair of side walls are established on both sides of the combining window and a support axis is prepared on an inner surface of the combining window, and having a second clipping member with a recessed auxiliary plate in a rear portion where the auxiliary plate is fitted into the combing combining window of the first clipping plate, and having an operation member which is rotated centering on the support axis to press the auxiliary plate into the combining window whereas the operation member controls opening and closing for both ends of the first clipping member and the second clipping member and by rotating movement of the operation member ends of the first clipping member and the second clipping member are adapted to close together;

wherein the artificial nail cover and the plastic clip are combined together while the thin plate wall of the nail cover is inserted into the combining window and the fitting ditch is fitted onto an end side of the combining window, where the cover body is attached on the outer surface of one clipping member and the auxiliary plate is pressed and fitted into the combining window by rotating movement of the operation member; and

wherein the nail cover is fixed on the plastic clip.

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7. (currently amended) A decorative cover for a clip which comprises:

a cover body extending to an end of the decorative cover:

a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and running sideways along the cover body;

wherein a fitting ditch is formed on the thin plate wall between the wall and the inner surface of the cover body; and wherein said fitting ditch of said cover is inserted into said clip, thereby attaching the cover to the clip.

8. (currently amended) A decorative cover for a clip which comprises:

a decorative cover body with a decorative surface;
the cover body having in a rear portion a pair of side walls
directed downward and facing each other;

a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and directed toward each side wall; and

wherein a fitting ditch is formed on the thin plate wall between the thin plate wall and an inner surface of the cover body; and

wherein said fitting ditch of said cover is inserted into said clip, thereby attaching the cover to the clip.

9. (currently amended) A decorative An artificial nail cover for

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- 10. (currently amended) A decorative An artificial nail cover for a clip according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein [[a]] said fitting ditch is formed in a curve along an inner surface of [[a]] said cover body.
- 11. (currently amended) A clip composed of a first clipping member having a curved outer surface, wherein a combining window is formed in its rear portion and on both sides of the combining window a pair of side walls is prepared and an support axis is established on inner surfaces of the side walls and a second clipping member has a recessed auxiliary plate in its rear portion, wherein an said auxiliary plate is inserted into the combining window of the first clipping member, and an operation member which is rotated centering on the support axis to press said auxiliary plate into the combining window, wherein the operation member controls opening and closing for both ends of the first clipping member and the second clipping member, and by the rotating movement of the operation member both ends are adapted to close together, and a decorative cover is attached on the outer surface of the first clipping member, and said nail cover comprising:

a cover body extending toward an end of the decorative cover;

a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and running sideways along the body cover;

a fitting ditch formed on the thin plate wall between the wall and the inner surface of the cover body;

the thin plate inserted into the combining window of the first clipping member so that the fitting ditch is to be inserted into an end side of the combining window; and

wherein the cover body is to be attached on the outer side of the first clipping member.

12. (currently amended) A clip set combining <u>a</u> decorative cover with a plastic clip, the set comprising:

a decorative cover having a cover body extending to an end of the decorative cover, and having a pair of side walls formed in a rear portion of the cover body, the side walls facing each other, and having a thin plate wall formed in an inner surface of the cover body and running sideways along the cover body, and having a fitting ditch formed on the thin plate wall between the wall and the inner surface of the cover body;

a plastic clip having a first clipping member with a decorative surface where a combining window is formed in a rear portion of the first clipping member and a pair of side walls are established on both sides of the combining window and a support

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axis is prepared on an inner surface of the combining window, and having a second clipping member with a recessed auxiliary plate in a rear portion where the auxiliary plate is fitted into the combing combining window of the first clipping plate, and having an operation member which is rotated centering on the support axis to press the auxiliary plate into the combining window whereas the operation member controls opening and closing for both ends of the first clipping member and the second clipping member and by rotating movement of the operation member ends of the first clipping member and clipping member are adapted to close together;

wherein the decorative cover and the plastic clip are combined together while the thin plate wall of the decorative cover is inserted into the combining window and the fitting ditch is fitted onto an end side of the combining window, where the cover body is attached on the outer surface of one clipping member and the auxiliary plate is pressed and fitted into the combining window by rotating movement of the operation member; and

wherein the cover is fixed on the plastic clip.